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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket Nos. 96-149 and 98-141, Petition of SBC for Forbearance From the Prohibition of Sharing Operating, Installation and Maintenance Functions Under Sections 53.203(a)(2) and 53.203(a)(3) of the Commission's Rules and Modification of Operating, Installation and Maintenance Conditions Contained in the SBC/Ameritech Merger Order

Dear Ms. Dortch:

SBC Communications Inc. hereby files (a) a redacted version of the data and calculations with respect to the costs to SBC of the OI&M restrictions (the "OI&M Costs Data") and (b) the confidential treatment request and proposed protective order for the unredacted version of the OI&M Costs Data. These materials were originally filed with the Secretary on June 16, 2003, and are being filed again at the request of the Commission's Staff. These materials are not confidential and should be placed in the public record.

We are not filing another a copy of the unredacted version of the OI&M Costs Data, and the copy that was filed on June 16, 2003 remains subject to a confidential treatment request and so should not be placed in the public record.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Attachments:

Redacted Version of OI&M Costs Data Confidential Treatment Request and Proposed Protective Order